AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A <u>method of making aeo-fired</u>, multi-layer laminate ceramic structure comprising the <u>steps of</u>:

<u>providing</u> a plurality of stacked co-fired layers of <u>a predetermined type of co-fired</u> ceramic material including metallization in predetermined patterns on and through said layers;

said-stacked layers including depositing a plurality of exposed electrical conductors including leads thereon—at predetermined locations on said plurality of stacked layers;

said conductors being of a metal which includes one or more additives to promote adhesion to said ceramic layer on which said conductors are deposited;

depositing a bonding metal layer applied to on top of said conductors at said predetermined locations of said leads and being of said same metal as said conductors, however devoid of said one or more additives so as to enhance bondability of the leads thereonthereto;

wherein the leads are bonded to said bonding metal layer at said predetermined locations; and

depositingwherein the bonding metal layer is—applied to—the_on_said conductors prior to a co-firing of said_stacked layers of ceramic material and then co-fired co-firing the bonding metal layer along with said layers of ceramic material or depositing the bonding metal layer is applied to the on_said conductors and post-fired—after an initial co-firing of said layers of ceramic material and then post-firing the bonding metal layer to the conductors; and,

 $\underline{\text{bonding the leads to said bonding metal layer at said predetermined }} \underline{\text{locations}}.^{\circ}$

 (currently amended) The method of making aee-fired, multi-layer laminate ceramic structure according to claim 1 wherein:

said <u>step of applying the</u> bonding metal layer is applied to said conductors <u>comprises bonding the metal layer to said conductors only</u> at said predetermined locations <u>where of said leads are bonded.</u>

 (currently amended) The method of making a eo-fired, multi-layer laminate ceramic structure according to claim 1 wherein:

said conductors are of a gold paste with said additives; said bonding metal layer is of a pure gold paste devoid of said additives.

4. (currently amended) The method of making a ee-fired, multi-layer laminate ceramic structure according to claim 1 and additionally including the step of wherein:

<u>forming respective cavities in predetermined ones of said layers of</u> ceramic material include respective eavities;

<u>locating</u> predetermined ones of said conductors being located on at least one of said layers below athe top layer of said stacked layers;

said predetermined ones of said conductors being accessible through said cavities for <u>the</u> bonding of said leads <u>to said bonding metal layer applied to said conductors</u>.

- 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Canceled)

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8. (currently amended) The <u>method of making aeo-fired</u>, multi-layer laminate ceramic structure according to Claim 1 wherein the <u>predetermined type of co-fired ceramic material comprises structure is a low temperature co-fired ceramic (LTCC) <u>materialstructure</u>.</u>

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